

# **House of Representatives**

General Assembly

File No. 20

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Substitute House Bill No. 6112

House of Representatives, March 9, 2021

The Committee on Children reported through REP. LINEHAN of the 103rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

#### AN ACT REQUIRING A SURVEY OF COURT-INVOLVED YOUTHS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section, "courtinvolved youths" means any individual under the age of eighteen years who has had direct interaction with or is engaged in a proceeding before any constituent court of the Judicial Branch, or receives services through
- 5 a program administered by or on behalf of the Judicial Branch.
  - (b) For the period beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, the Court Support Services Division of the Judicial Branch shall conduct a survey of court-involved youths for the purpose of determining the adequacy of existing Judicial Branch services with respect to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer youths and the need for any additional or improved services for such youths. Such survey shall ascertain (1) the court-involved youth's (A) age, (B) race, (C) sexual orientation, and (D) gender identity, and (2) any other information deemed necessary by the division. No court-involved youth shall be required to complete such survey and the answers to such survey shall

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16 be collected anonymously.

17 (c) Not later than January 1, 2024, the Court Support Services Division 18 of the Judicial Branch shall submit a report, in accordance with the 19 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters 20 21 relating to children. Such report shall include the results of the survey 22 conducted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section and any 23 recommendations for additional or improved Judicial Branch services 24 for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer youths.

This act sha	all take effect as follow	s and shall amend the following
Section 1	from passage	New section

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### **OFA Fiscal Note**

State Impact: None

**Municipal Impact:** None

Explanation

The bill requires the Judicial Department to conduct a survey of court-involved LGBTQ youths and does not result in a fiscal impact as Judicial has the ability to conduct the survey with current resources.

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Municipal Impact: None

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# OLR Bill Analysis sHB 6112

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## **SUMMARY**

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

## **COMMITTEE ACTION**

Committee on Children

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